



## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Pat	ent Application of						
Wing Cl	neung HO et al	) Group Art Unit: 1725					
Applicat	ion No.: 09/649,084	Examiner: L. Edmondson					
Filed: Ja	anuary 9, 2002	^					
I	WIRE-BONDING APPARATUS WITH  MPROVED XY-TABLE  ORIENTATION  )	ANSMITTAL LETTER					
	AMENDMENT/REPLY TR	ANSMITTAL LETTER					
	t Commissioner for Patents ton, D.C. 20231						
Sir:							
Enc	losed is a reply for the above-identified pate	ent application.					
[ ]	A Petition for Extension of Time is also e	nclosed.					
[ ]	A Terminal Disclaimer and a check for [ ] \$55.00 (248) [ ] \$110.00 (148) to cover the requisite Government fee are also enclosed.						
[ ]	Also enclosed is						
[]	Small entity status is hereby claimed.						
[X]	Applicant(s) request continued examination under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 and enclose the [ ] \$370.00 (279) [X ] \$740.00 (179) fee due under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(e).						
	[ ] Applicant(s) previously submitted requested.	, on, for which continued examination is					
[]	Applicant(s) request suspension of action exceed three months from the filing of this § 1.103(c). The required fee under 37 C.						
[ ]	A Request for Entry and Consideration of (146/246) is also enclosed.	Submission under 37 C.F.R. § 1.129(a)					
[X]	No additional claim fee is required.						

[ ] An additional claim fee is required, and is calculated as shown below:

AMENDED CLAIMS								
	No. OF CLAIMS	Highest No. Of Claims Previously Paid for	EXTRA CLAIMS	RATE	ADDT'L FEE			
Total Claims	11	MINUS 20 =	-()-	× \$18.00 (103) =	-()-			
Independent Claims	1	MINUS 3 =	-()-	× \$84.00 (102) =	-()-			
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Total Amendment Fee	740.00							
If small entity status is	-()-							
TOTAL ADDITIONAL FEE DUE FOR THIS AMENDMENT								

[X]	Α	fee	in	the	amount	of	\$ <u>740.00</u>	is enc	losed.
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[ ] Charge \$\_\_\_\_\_\_to Deposit Account No. 02-4800.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any appropriate fees under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16, 1.17, 1.20(d) and 1.21 that may be required by this paper, and to credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 02-4800. This paper is submitted in duplicate.

Respectfully submitted,

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## PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Prior to examination, kindly amend the above-identified application as follows:

## **IN THE CLAIMS**:

- 1. (Twice Amended) Wedge wire bonding apparatus comprising:
  - (a) means for supporting a workpiece,
  - (b) a bonding head including a transducer having a longitudinal axis,
  - (c) means for causing relative movement of the workpiece and the transducer along orthogonal X and Y axes simultaneously, and
  - (d) means for supporting the bonding head above the workpiece such that the longitudinal axis of said transducer is fixed along a line dividing said X